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DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I HEREBY DECLARE:

THAT my residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

THAT I believe I am the original, first, and sole inventor (if only one inventor is named below) or an original, first, and joint inventor (if plural inventors are named below or in an attached Declaration) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

SEAT BELT RETRACTOR

(Attorney Docket No. 086142-0493)

the specification of which (check one)

 is attached hereto.

 X was filed on 11/06/2001 as United States Application Number or PCT International Application Number 09/985,924 and was amended on (if applicable).

THAT I do not know and do not believe that the same invention was ever known or used by others in the United States of America, or was patented or described in any printed publication in any country, before I (we) invented it;

THAT I do not know and do not believe that the same invention was patented or described in any printed publication in any country, or in public use or on sale in the United States of America, for more than one year prior to the filing date of this United States application;

THAT I do not know and do not believe that the same invention was first patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate that issued in any country foreign to the United States of America before the filing date of this United States application if the foreign application was filed by me (us), or by my (our) legal representatives or assigns, more than twelve months (six months for design patents) prior to the filing date of this United States application;

THAT I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claim(s), as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above;

THAT I believe that the above-identified specification contains a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the invention, and sets forth the best mode contemplated by me of carrying out the invention; and

THAT I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

I HEREBY CLAIM foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code §119(a)-(d) or § 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or §365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate or

of any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application Number	Country	Foreign Filing Date	Priority Claimed?	Certified Copy Attached?

I HEREBY CLAIM the benefit under Title 35, United States Code § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

U.S. Provisional Application Number	Filing Date

I HEREBY CLAIM the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s), or § 365(c) of any PCT international application designating the United States of America, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

U.S. Parent Application Number	PCT Parent Application Number	Parent Filing Date	Parent Patent Number
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I HEREBY APPOINT the following registered attorneys and agents of the law firm of FOLEY & LARDNER:

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to have full power to prosecute this application and any continuations, divisions, reissues, and reexaminations thereof, to receive the patent, and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE THAT the foregoing attorneys and agents appointed by me to prosecute this application do not personally represent me or my legal interests, but instead represent the interests of the legal owner(s) of the invention described in this application.

I FURTHER DECLARE THAT all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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Date	July 3, 2003

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Date	<i>July 3, 2003</i>
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Inventor's signature	<i>Yasushi Kanamori</i>
Date	<i>July 3, 2003</i>
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Residence	Echi-gun, Shiga, Japan
Citizenship	Japanese
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Inventor's signature	<i>Isamu Mizuno</i>
Date	<i>July 14, 2003</i>



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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Masahiro SHIOTANI et al..
Title: SEAT BELT RETRACTOR
Appl. No.: 09/985,924
Filing Date: November 6, 2001
Examiner: W.A. Rivera
Art Unit: 3654

REQUEST TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants request under 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a) to correct inventorship to add the following additional inventor who was erroneously excluded when the declaration was filed: Isamu Mizuno. Applicants submit concurrently herewith the following:

1. A statement pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a)(2); from the person being added as an inventor (Mr. Mizuno) that the error in inventorship occurred without deceptive intention on his part;
2. A declaration executed by each actual inventor;
3. The requisite fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i);
4. The written consent of the assignee;
5. A statement of the assignee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b),
6. An assignment executed by the newly added inventor.

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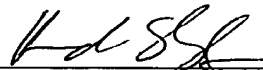
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Applicants respectfully request entry of the correction of inventorship. If there are any questions regarding the present filing, please contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 7/28/03

By: 

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STATEMENT BY NEWLY ADDED INVENTOR
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a)(2)

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Sir:

I am an inventor of the above mentioned patent application. My name was erroneously not listed as an inventor when the application was filed. The inventorship error occurred without deceptive intent on my part.

Respectfully submitted,

July 14, 2003
Date

Isamu Mizuno
Isamu Mizuno



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CONSENT OF ASSIGNEE FOR CORRECTION OF INVENTORSHIP
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a)(5)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

TAKATA CORPORATION, as the Assignee, hereby consents to the addition of
Isamu Mizuno as an inventor.

Respectfully submitted,
TAKATA CORPORATION

July 15, 2003
Date

Name: Hiroshi JOMURA

Title: Manager of Intellectual Property Office



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Title: SEAT BELT RETRACTOR

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STATEMENT OF ASSIGNEE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

TAKATA CORPORATION hereby states that it is the assignee of the above-identified application by virtue of an assignment recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 6, 2001, at Reel 012296, Frame 0681.

The undersigned is empowered to sign this Certificate on behalf of the assignee.

July 15, 2003
Date

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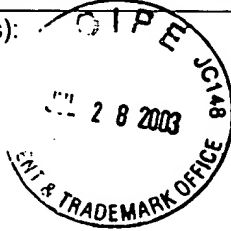
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Howard N. Shipley

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For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, each undersigned inventor has sold and assigned, and by these presents hereby sells and assigns, unto

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assignee*

**Takata Corporation
4-30 Roppongi 1-chome, Minato-ku
Tokyo 106-8510, Japan**

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(hereinafter ASSIGNEE) all right, title and interest for the United States, its territories and possessions in and to this invention relating to

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Each of the undersigned hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all such Letters Patent to said ASSIGNEE, its successors or assigns in accordance herewith;

Each of the undersigned warrants and covenants that he has the full and unencumbered right to sell and assign the interests herein sold and assigned and that he has not executed and will not execute any document or instrument in conflict herewith;

Each of the undersigned further covenants and agrees he will communicate to said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives or assigns all information known to him relating to said invention or patent application and that he will execute and deliver any papers, make all rightful oaths, testify in any legal proceedings and perform all other lawful acts deemed necessary or desirable by said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives or assigns to perfect title to said invention, to said application including divisions and continuations thereof and to any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor or thereon, including reissues or extensions, in said ASSIGNEE, its successors, or assigns or to assist said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives or assigns in obtaining, reissuing or enforcing Letters Patent of the United States for said invention;

Each of the undersigned hereby authorizes the firm of **FOLEY & LARDNER** to insert in this Assignment any further identification which may be necessary or desirable to comply with the rules of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office for recordation of this Assignment.

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